### M'CULLAGH'S HAVANA COPS. VETERAN POLICEMAN COMES BACK PLEASED WITH THE FORCE.

eighths of the Men Native Cubans-No Negroes-Minimum Height 5 Feet 6 -Policemen Master the Rules Quickly and Work Effectively-Chief's Powers. John McCullagh, Superintendent of Metropolitan Elections and former Chief of the New York police force, got back yesterday from Bayana, where he has been organizing a pohas force. He had been in Havana since early in December. He found his office deak at 585 Broadway adorned with flowers. A horseshoe with the word "Welcome" inscribed on it was the gift of the office force. The others were from unofficial friends.

Mr. McCullagn looks well and says he feels He seems to have gained weight. He has lost, though, some of the spring and snap that were noticeable in his movements. He has worked day and night for three months in the enervating Havana climate.

Mr. McCullagh did not really get the present organization of the Havana force under way until Jan. 17. Three times as many men applied for appointments to the force as were needed. There was no time to investigate their records, but McCullagh examined them is a general way himself. The men of Cuba are so short that he was afraid he would have to fix the minimum height of the force to five feet four inches. It appeared later that he could get enough men who were over five feet six. Seven-eighths of the men appointed are pative-born Cubans. No negroes were appointed. Some Spaniards were and a very few men born in the United States. The tallest man on the force is six feet six and is a Some of the Spantards had been in the Spanish Army and thirty-five of them were members of the old civil guard that used to parade Havana streets in military uniforms, armed with guns and bayonets.

There were no municipal maps, and McCulligh had to have them made. Then the lagh had to have them made. Then the streets were measured and divided off into all posts, grouped in tweive precinets and six inspection districts. For police stations the old municipal buildings were used. They were unfit for the purpose, but no other buildings were available. This arrangement of officers was provided for: One Chief at \$4,000 a year, one DeputyChief at \$2,000, 8 inspectors \$11,800, 12 Captains at \$1,300, 48 Sergeants at \$1,300, 10 Detective Sergeants at \$1,001, 12 doormen at \$400, 10 Detective Sergeants at \$1,200 and 12 pre inct detectives at \$1,000. The Lieutenants correspond to the Sergeants of our police force and the Sergeants to our roundsmen. Bugier Cassi of the rough riders is one of the Lieutenants. He applied for the page without any letters of introduction or any credentials except his record. Cassi is an Italian. He was in the Italian Army, in the Chinese Army in the Japanese war and was a cowhoy before he was a rough rider.

McCullagh, besides drilling the men with mightsticks and in simple marching movements, had to arrange a complete system of rolls, blanks, records and blotters for use in the stations, to draw up a book of rules and devise a uniform. The uniform as decided upon is a light blue blouse with brass buttons and a git shoulder knot, trousers of blue with a white stripe, and a panama hat. The wearons are the same as those of a New York streets were measured and divided off into

white stripe, and a panama hat. The weapons are the same as those of a New York policeman.

The book of regulations is particularly stringent in forbidding public meetings or discussions of a political nature. The regulations do not require the Havana policemen to say "g'wan" when he comes upon two men taking politics, but that is practically the effect. Chief of Police Menocal was following orders exactly therefore when he forbade a public meeting of the friends of Gen. Gomez. Menocal was appointed by Gen. Ludlow. As Chief he has absolute appointing power and can remove any man on the force after charges have been preferred and proved. McCullagh says he would be willing to agree to work for a rear without salary if he could be put at the head of a police force with the powers that Zenecal has. The salaries of the men seem small, he said, but they will permit the men to live as well as a New York policeman of the same grade. The crimes of Havana, he says, are of a small and petty sort and generally are committed in houses of ill fame. He saw but one drunken man while he was in Havana. That one was not a Cuban.

As a whole he found the force took hold of his deas rapidly and seemed to be very capable of doing good police work. Appointments to the force hereafter will be made on approval of an examining board of Captains.

The last four days before he left Havana McCullagh. Spent in the First precinct. station house. He found the men turning out, covering their posts and making returns with every bit as much regularity as those things are done in the Old Silo station here.

McCullagh says that the present is a good time for men of small capital to stay away from Cuba. Men who have enough capital to sail for the government to become settled and stable will find it to their profit to invest now.

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### ENOCH ARDEN CASE IN COURT.

#### Mrs. Mendoza Seeking a Legal Separation from Charles Marsh.

Vice-Chancellor Stevens listened to a romantic story yesterday in a suit brought to annul a marriage, and at its close said that he would week, no defence having been made by the husband from whom the woman desired to be teparated. It was an Enoch Arden case. In 6 Antonio Mendoza, a Cuban youth, came le New York to be educated, and his uncle intonio Cassele, sent him to Seton Hall College, at South Orange. That year the young man met Agnes Leah Sopher of Jersey City and made such violent love to her that they were married in February, 1887. On July 27 Mendoza was arrested for grand lareeny, and on Aug. 3 he was sent to State prison for eighteen months. His wife was supported during his term by his uncle, and when he was discharged, on Oct. 24, 1889, he rejoined her. In 1860 he left her abruptly and went to Cuba. The next news received about him was that he had been killed. Shortly afterward Mrs. Mendoza met Mr. Frank Marsh of Newark, awidower, who is junior partner in the firm of Charles Marsh & Son, massons. They were married by the Rev. Mr. Goodrich of Harrison on Jan. 31, 1883. Mrs. Marsh told her husband all about her former marriage. In February, 1889, after they had lived happily together for just five years, they came upon Mendoza while they were walking through Thirty-first street, this city, after spending the evening at a theatre. The young woman was greatly surprised, but after a whispered conversation with Mendoza she introduced him to Marsh man met Agnes Leah Sopher of Jersey City aire. The young woman was greatly sur-brieed, but after a whispered conversation with Mendoza she introduced him to Marsh, leaving Mendoza, they returned to Newark, and after a consultation they decided that there was nothing to do but separate and that lers. Mendoza should bring the necessary suit.

### HEBREW'S MISERABLE HOME,

### He Married a Gentile, and Says His Children lave Been Brought Up to Ignore Him.

Morris Sarner, 51 years old, manager of Young's hat store at 605 Broadway and living at 1329 Fifth avenue, appeared before Magistrate Brann in the Harlem Police Court yesterday in answer to a summons obtained by his wife, Louise. She said that he went home a lew nights ago so drunk that she and the other members of the family had to lock him up in Sarner told the Magistrate that the cause of

all the trouble was that he was a Jew and his wife a Gentile. He had been married twenty-seren years, he said, and was the father of

wife a Gentile. He had been married twentyseven years, he said, and was the father of
seven children.

"My wife, your Honor, has brought up my
children and taught them to ignore me," continued Sarner. "Some of them have not
spoken to me in fifteen years."

When he went home on Monday night,
sarner said, he found awaiting him a supper
consisting of uncatable beefsteak, dry bread
tad a cun of coffee. He had brought along the
beefin a piece of naper and submitted it for inspection. His forchead was covered with
scratches. They were from his wife's finger
rails, he said, and his son had threatened his
life. The case was adjourned until next Monday to enable each side to produce witnesses.

### TWO TRANSPORTS IN.

#### Bringing Soldiers, Civilians and the Dead from Santiago and Porto Rico. The transports McClellan and McPheison

oth arrived yesterday from Santiago and Porto Rican ports. The McClellan brought eight cabin passengers, including Col. Wyley the Third Infantry, Capt. Bates of the Thirty-fourth Michigan Volunteers, Judge Murphy and the Rev. Drs. H. N. Adams and Surphy and the Rev. Drs. H. N. Adams and M. E. Caldwell. The McClellan also brought fifty-two soldiers on furlough and sixteen bodies of regulars and volunteers who died in Cattle or of disease at Santiago.

The McPherson had as passengers E. K. Valentina of Nebraska, ex-member of Congress: Lieut. W. C. Valentine. Nineteenth Inited States Infantry: Gen. Morgan. United States Volunteers: Lieut. U. S. Grant. Second, and Mrs. H. H. Quick, wife of the Lieutenant-Colonel of the Forty-seventh New York Volunteers: also a number of soldiers discharged or ea furlough.

GERRY MOVES ON JEFFERSON MARKET | "SIC "IM1" SAYS CROKER

Strategie Movement of His Forces Locks Up

The room in the Jefferson Market Court building set aside for the use of Mr. Gerry's private society is an inclosure partitioned off from a large room adjoining the courtroom. Its only contents are a few benches, a big deak with a chair in front of it and a cabinet full of printed blanks, and it is rarely entered by any one not having business there. The exceptions are when sometimes a tired policeman takes a nap on the hard benches at the noon recess. The room has never been locked, be cause no one could conceive a reason for locking it, and the right of possession has never been in dispute. It has been a quiet resting

place from which only strife was barred. But

Mr. Gerry has changed all that. Col. Thomas B. Watson, the presiding genius of the room, leaves the court as a rule before it is adjourned for the day. Last Monday evening, however, another agent of the Gerry soclety kept him company, and the two stayed on post until every one else had laft the court The echo of the last policeman's departing footsteps had had full time to die of old age when the Colonel, after a whispered conversation with his fellow watchman, tiptoed his way into the courtroom and searched one by one the chambers of the building. He returned at last with his left boot creaking slightly and his lips drawn into a Machiavellian smile. "Hush!" murmured the other man. "They'll

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hear you."

"Who'll hear me?" asked the Colonel in a
triumphant whisper that could easily be heard
two feet away. "They are gone. If all is ready,
give the countersign."

"We are the State and the Commodore is
above us," was the haughty response.

"And so it shall be lorever. Good! Let us
now proceed." The two men drew together in the middle of the room, forming with outspread overcoats a sort of tent. In its shelter something shining was extracted from one of the Colonel's pockets, and the pair moved toward the door. It was slammed, there was a rasping nolse from the long-disused lock and the Colonel, turning round, flushed with excitement, rose to his full height of 5 feet 11, flourished his new key on high and cried; "In this sign we shall conquer! Now let's be off."

The door remained locked until 9:30 o'clock yesterday morning, when Col. Watson arrived in court for the day. A wagon load of small boys in charge of another agent had arrived thirty minutes earlier, but as the agent could not open the door the boys were turned loose in the badly crowded court, to the great disturbance of its business. Col. Watson later youchsafed an explanation.

By the order of the Commodore," he announced, sternly, "keys have been made to all our rooms in the several court buildings, and the rooms shall hereafter be locked whenever the agent in charge is not present."

The Commodore's word, of course, has settled the matter. two men drew together in the middle of

the matter.

#### WHERE ARE THE BEGGAR'S RICHES? Mrs. Schmidt Drops Dead Amid Squalor, but Was Thought to Be Rich

Mrs. Henrietta Schmidt, a widow, 63 years old, was found dead yesterday in a squalld room she had occupied for nearly fifteen years on the second floor of a three-story tenement house at 189 Harrison avenue, Williamsburg. She was a professional beggar, and for years husband used to travel together. Both carried canes and were noted for their grimy appearance. When the husband died, in 1883, he left property which it was said was valued at between \$10,000 and \$12,000. It was said that he also had several thousand dollars in savings banks. Mrs. Schmidt continued her begging after the death of her husband, and later moved into the house in which she died. When she was in a happy frame of mind she them to understand that she had property and money aggregating in value more than \$20,-

them to understand that she had property and money aggregating in value more than \$20,200. She paid her rent regularly and that was about the only money she was ever known to expend. Her food and fuel and oil for light she obtained by begging.

She never permitted anybody to enter her room. Neighbors saw her for the last time alive about ti P. M. last Friday. She hobbled up the stairs with her cane, unlocked the door of her room and then shut it with a bang. She seemed angry. When she failed to show herself the next day, no attention was raid to it as she had frequently before kept herself locked in the room. Nothing was seen or heard of her on Sunday. On Monday evening some of the other tenants thought that she might be ill and knocked on her door. There was no response. Herman Deneke succeeded in pushing back the latch of her window and entered the room. He found her dead, lying face down on the floor. Around the room were barrels and boxes filled with rubbish, evidently gathered on her begging expeditions. The stove, table, bed and two old chairs were all broken, ashes were scattered on the floor, and the space in which she lay was so narrow that Undertaker Frederick Noll, who was sent by Coroner Delap to lay out the body, was obliged to move much of the rubbish to get room.

The police searched the room for valuables, but found only a bag containing \$9.35 in cents and nickels. To-day a search will be made for the woman's bankbooks and deeds of property. She is said to have a brother who lives somewhere on Long Island.

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#### Troubles in Capt. Stoddard's Command of the Seventy-first Being Looked Into.

The troubles in Company E of the Seventy first Regiment have at last culminated in an investigation conducted by Major Charles El-liott Warren of Gen. George Moore Smith's staff of the Fifth Brigade. The Captain of the company is Charles H. Stoddard, who has been in hot water from the time the regiment went into the volunteer service. The Captain didn't go to Cuba with his men, being detailed as recruiting officer at Camp Black. Capt. Stoddard got as far as Tampa, where the Colone dard got as far as Tampa, where the Colonel selected him to return to New York and take charge of the recruits. When the company was mustered out of the volunteer service the members began to make war on Capt. Stoddard, alleging that he did not wish to go to Cuba and was overbearing and tyrannical as long as he was with the company. The company made a good record at San Juan.

Major Warren's report has been forwarded to Gen. Roe. The condition of the commany is so scrious, it is said, that heroic measures will have to be taken by the authorities to save it. This, the antis claim, indicates the enforced resignation of Capt. Stoddard.

### WASN'T FORCED TO WORK OVERTIME.

No Evidence Produced That the States Island Electric Company Broke the Law. A hearing was held yesterday morning be

fore Magistrate Croak at New Brighton, Staten Island, in the ten-hour labor law action against the Staten Island Electric Railroad. brought by Mrs. George Livingston Baker of West New Brighton on behalf of the employees of the road, who are said to be overworked in deflance of the law. Charles V. Hayes of 50 Morning Star road, Mariner's Harbor, who was employed as a conductor for twenty-two months, testified that on Sept. 1, 1898, he months, testified that on Sept. 1, 1898, he worked from 11 o'clock in the morning until 6:30 in the evening and from 7:45 to 1:59 the next morning, making thirteen and three-quarters hours. When cross-examined he admitted that after he was discharged he had applied for reinstatement. He also admitted that at the time when he alleged that he was working the long number of hours no one had required that he should work overtime. Magistrate Croak held that no evidence had been submitted to prove that Hayes had been required to work more than ten hours. He hevertheless told Mr. Kennady, counsel for Mrs. Baker, that he would adjourn the case until March 22 to give him a chance to procure further evidence to prove this point.

### CRUIKSHANK DIFORCE SUIT.

#### Appellate Division Decides That the Wife Cannot Have a New Trial.

The Appellate Division of the Supreme Court in Brooklyn yesterday affirmed the decision of Justice Jesse Johnson in denying Maud Cruikshank a new trial in her suit brought against Dr. William J. Cruikshank for an absolute divorce. At the trial of the suit thirteen issues were submitted to the jury, and the Court charged that, unless the party on whom rested the burden of proof of guilt of violating the statute had proved it, the answer should be "no." The jury answered "no." In twelve of the issues and on the thirteenth their answer was "not proven." Counsel for Dr. Cruikshank asked the Court to direct the entry of the verdict, and that the answer "not proven should be recorded as "no." because in effect it was "no." The Court so directed. Counsel for Mrs. Cruikshank took an exception on the ground that it was a mistrial and appealed from the decision of Justice Johnson. The Appellate Division holds that Justice Johnson was justified in construing the answer as "no." and that in making the correction it did not change the intent or the scope of the verdict. Mrs. Cruikshank's counsel will carry the case to the Court of Appeals. the burden of proof of guilt of violating the

HIS CITY HALL PUPPETS TO ATTACK ASTORIA GAS UNDER ORDERS.

Chat's Crimmiss's Company and Crimmin Supported Justice Daly, and Is Out With the Metropolitan Street Railway Crowd-Brooklyn Aldermen Beat Croton Bonds.

The Municipal Assembly voted yesterday to send its joint legislative committee to Albany to remonstrate against the passage by the Legislature of the Astoria Gas, Heat and Power bill, which is called by Tammany Hall men a "grab." The action of the Municipal Assembly was taken less than twenty-four hours after the Tammany Executive Committee voted to investigate the course of Assemblymen Fitzgerald and Redington, who are accused of having voted for the bill. The word was passed in the City Hall that Richard Croker wanted every man to do his best to beat the bill, nominally on the ground that it is against the policy of home rule and contrary to the provisions of the charter; but really because John D. Crimmins is one of the organ izers of the company. It is Mr. Crimmins' fortune to be on bad terms at present with both Mr. Croker and the Metropolitan Street Railway Company.

The formal action of the Municipal Assembly originated with Alderman McCail, the Tammany leader in the board, who introduced a many leader in the board, who introduced a resolution authorizing the joint legislative committee to go to Albany to-day. The resolution was adopted and sent to the Council, which concurred in it. The city treasury will pay the expenses of the trip. While the resolution was under discussion in the Council, Mr. Francisco (Rep.) made a speech in which he suid that the Republican machine was trying to force the bill through the Legislature, and in so doing was exceeding its powers.

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In spite of President Guggenheimer's talk at the last meeting of the Council, there were not enough members present to authorize the expenditure of money, only twenty-one Councilmen being in their seats. The non-attendance of members was the subject of a debate, and Mr. Guggenheimer declared that the Council had rower to sweeped consults or runnish absent. Guggenheimer declared that the Council had power to suspend, censure or punish absentees, and that the attendance of membershould be compelled. On motion of Mr. Oakley (Tam.) it was voted to have the Sergeantat-Arms notify members at their homes, that the Council meets on Tuesdays. The poor fellows don't know it.

Councilman Wise offered a resolution requesting the Council to the Corporation, on behalf of the city, as the owner of real property soluting on Amsterdam avenue, to apply to the courts to enjoin the construction and operation of two trolley railroads on four tracks in Amsterdam avenue.

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Councilman Hottenroth (Tam.) asked that this be sent to the Law Committee. He said that he had offered a resolution compelling the Manhattan Elevated Railway Company to construct several lines in the borough of the Bronx, and that Mr. Wise had sent it to the Law Committee. Turn about was fair play, he thought, and he wanted the Wise resolution to take the same course. The Councilman of the committee o ution to take the same course. The Coun voted to send the resolution to the commit

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In the Board of Aldermen Mr. Bridges
(Dem.) offered a resolution calling on the
heads of all departments to close their offices
on St. Patrick's Day. Mr. Bridges spoke in
favor of the resolution, and it was supported
by Aldermen Schmidt, Minsky and the other
German members of the board. The Tammany Irishmen voted against it and the resolution was lost. 22 to 10. Later Mr. Bridges
offered a resolution calling for the display of
the national. State and city flags on all municinal buildings on St. Patrick's Day. This was
adonted.

The raid on the Manhattan Elevated Bailway came up in a favorable report from the
Railroad Committee on the recommendation
to the State Railroad Commissioners that the
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The Brooklyn members of the board combined to defeat concurrence in the Board of Estimate's resolution to issue \$500,000 of bonds to pay for property taken in the Croton watershed. President Holahan explained that the issue was to pay part of an award of \$1,500,000 for property seized on which the city was paying interest at the rate of the percent. Mr. Wafer of Brooklyn led the opposition to concurrence, saying that he wanted to understand the matter. Mr. Holahan pointed out that the matter had been before the board for five months, long enough for any person to investigate it. Mr. Wafer and the other Brooklynites prevented the resolution from receiving the necessary forty-five votes and it was put in general orders.

The board voted to concur in the Council's resolution allowing the American Air Power Commany to lay a water main from the Hudson across the marginal street and Thirteenth avenue to its works at Twenty-fourth street. Some objection was raised to concurrence without reference to committee, but the resolution had the support of the Republicans. Mr. Woodward saving that he didn't see why the company shouldn't have privileges similar to those granted to other concerns.

### LENOX A. C. BOXERS DISORDERLY.

Lowest Type of Humanity He Has Seen. Joe Wolcott, the negro boxer, and Kid Broad, the English pugilist, were arrested yesterday charge of using profane language within the

hearing of passers-by. Wolcott declared that while he and his companion were out training three bicycle policemen jeered at them. They got mad, answered back and were arrested. Broad, who corrob-orated the negro's statement, in talling skipped from the middle of a word to the next one, and Magistrate Cornell could scarcely un-decrated by

one, and Magistrate Cornell could scarcely understand him.

"I never before saw a specimen of such a low type of humanity as this white prize fighter." the Magistrate commented.

He fined the prisoners \$5 each. They gave their addresses as the Lenox Athletic Club. As they couldn't pay their fines, they were locked up. Tom O'Rourke, their manager, went to the prison later and paid the money.

### TO M'GURK'S TO TAKE POISON.

18-Year-Old Girl Who Was Going to Drink Laudanum Stopped by a Sailor.

A sailor from the United States cruiser Marblehead rushed up to Detectives Lockwood and Sheehan at Eighth avenue and Forty-seventh street yesterday morning and, pointing to a young woman who was hurrying down the avenue half a block away, exclaimed:

"Nab her quick! She's going to that sailors' joint in the Bowery, McGurk's, to kill herself. I was in a drug store just now and she came in I was in a drug store just now and she came in and bought a bottle of laudanum. I've followed her four blocks to have her saved."

The detectives took the sailor's advice and arrested the woman. She had an ounce of laudanum in her possession and said that she had intended to drink some of it to scare a man with whom she had quarrelled. She was Fiora Hawver, 18 years old, of 842 Columbus avenue. In the West Fifty-fourth Street Police Court yesterday Magistrate Simms discharged the girl in the custody of an elder sister on her promise to be good.

Pat McGurk to Be Tried on Monday. Patrick McGurk, who has recently managed his brother John's suicide dive on the Bowery while John has been ill, was arraigned in the Court of Special Sessions yesterday to plead to the charge of keeping a disorderly house. He entered a plea of not guilty, and Justice Holbrook, who presided, set the trial for Monday next. Assistant District Attorney O'Reilly has been assigned to prosecute.

Arrested on a Warrant Issued Last August. A man who, the police say, is known both as Francis Marion Daggett and as William Wilson was arrested in this city yesterday on a warrant charging grand larceny in the first degree. issued on Aug. 6 last by Justice Louis J. Stag of Warwick, Orange county, N. Y. The prisoner was locked up at Police Headquarters. He said he was 47 years old and lived at 214 East 188th street. He is a man of good appearance and was fashionably dressed. Information concerning the details of his alleged offence was refused last night at Police Head-

#### Nine Italians 'Arrested for Passing Cour terfeit Money.

Boston, March 14.-Ralph Redfern of the United States Secret Service, assisted by policemen of Station 1, arrested to-night Peter Gonzales and eight others, including two Gonzales and eight others, including two women, all Italians, charged with passing counterfeit money. All are residents of the Italian quarter in the North End, and it is believed that they comprise most of the gangithat has been putting bad money in circulation of late. Since Mr. Redfern came to this city a few months ago he has devoted much time to the effort to discover the source from which the counterfeits came. It is not known yet whether the money is made in this city.

You Probably Have Similar Annoyances To those others are with help. If you care to make a sudden change, same to any Brooklyn District Telegraph office and leave you. "Reip Wanted" advertisement for THE SUR. It will brane the help that may be depended on. No extra charges. "Ada," NEW JERSEY LEGISLATURE,

ScDermott's Vigorous Defence of the Stage

TRENTON, N. J., March 14.-The Judiciary Committee of the Senate gave a public hearing this afternoon on the bill designed to put a stop to the contamination of the Passale River. epresentatives from every community in the Passalo Valley were present and all urged the passage of the bill in question save the delegates from Paterson, who complained that the plan proposed to cleanse the river and keep it unpolluted was not definite enough and held that further time should be granted for a study of the problem how best to accomplish the ob-

ject sought by this legislation. Gov. Voorhees has determined, if possible, to break the custom of having the Legislature adourn with a number of bills on hand awaiting Executive action. He has notified the ofpers and leaders of each house that no bills will be acted upon by him after the Legisla-ture adjourns. It has been suggested that all bills be passed at least one day prior to a sine die adjournment, Lous leaving one day additional for action on such bills as may be de-fective or receive the disapprobation of the Gov-ernor. The plan meets with the approval of the majority, and if necessary a recess of one week may be taken after a stated time agreed upon for no further bills to pass.

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The bill to prohibit the appearance of any child under 15 years of are on the stage for profit brought on a lively debate in the Senate. Mr. McDermott offered an amendment designed to limit the act so that it shall not apply to any case where a license shall have been given by the Mayor of any city or other municipality authorizing a child to sing, dance or act. He said that there had always been and always would be a class of resolle who considered that any one connected with the theatre was on the road to perdition. They hold the idea that if a child attends the theatre its mornis are affected and if a child acts on the stage its ruin is complete.

"If such a bill as the offe under consideration had existed herectore," said Mr. McDermott, we would not have had Adelina Patti. Joseph Jefferson, Edwin Booth, his father or brother, Sir Henry, Irving, Ellen Terry or others who have done more good in the world than all the society people in the country. Under such a law there could not be produced a single Shakespearean comedy or tragedy, neither could we have many of the leading standard dramas.

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"There is as much virtue among the performers as is to be found anywhere and the surroundings of a child actor or actress are as pure and wholesome as elsewhere, except of course, in a certain class of performances for which there should be a censor."

Mr. Pitney said the bill was not designed to deprive the stage of such stars as the gentleman from Hudson had mentioned, but its intention was to prevent children from being unduly forced upon the stage.

Mr. McDermott said he did not see how the presence on the stage for twenty minutes or so would injure a child's mental process. If such wore the case, he said, why did not the employment of a child in a factory or on a farm or elsewhere have a similar effect? The proper way to get at it was to enact a law prohibiting the employment of all children under 15 years. The bill, he said, would prohibit church festivals and entertainments.

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Mr. Stokes asked if the bill would have such an effect in relation to church entertainments. Mr. Pitney thought the bill was more sweeping than at first intended and that perhaps it might be as well to amend it. With that purpose in view the bill was laid over.

The special committee having in charge the selection of a design for a sword to be presented to Admiral Sampson met in the Executive Chamber to-day and arreed upon the design furnished by Simons Brothers of Philadelphia. The sword will cost \$2,000.

### Seemed So Docile in the Hospital That He

Francisco Silvaggio, a dangerous lunatic, caped from Harlem Hospital Monday afternoon, and caused a wild panic in Pleasant avenue before he was caught. The man had been sent to the hospital from the Harlem Police Court by Magistrate Brann on complaint of his wife, Mrs. Laura Silvaggio, that he had threatened to kill her.

When placed in the insane ward at the hospital Silvaggio seemed so doelle that he was not placed in a padded cell, but was allowed to remain in the ward. Taking advantage of the foctor's absence for a moment, Silvagglo soon slipped out of the door and passed through the main door unobserved into the street. His disappearance was not noticed until it came disappearance was not noticed until it came time to transfer the patients to the boat which would take them to Bellevue.

In the meantime the lunnite had been having things his own way on Plensant avenue. He started down the avenue yelling at the top of his voice: I killa anybody who stoppa me!" and all took care to get out of his way. Pursuers quickly gathered behind him, however, and at 116th street, seeing that he was likely to be caught, the lunatic picked up a stone and hurled it at the crowd behind. He checked pursuit for a while and reached 114th street, where he disappeared.

He went to the house of his wife's sister, Mrs.

where he disappeared, where he disappeared, where he disappeared, where he disappeared, and Fifth avenue near Sixty-ninth street, and haled to the Yorkville Police Court on a and the police sent out to look for him found him there again, crouching in one corner of a bedroom with a club in his hand. He was overpowered by two policemen after a struggle and removed to the Harlem Hospital. This time he was placed in a padded cell until he was removed to Believue for examination.

#### 100 Per Cent. Assessment on Stockholders of a Defunct Bank.

CHICAGO, March 14.-Comptroller Dawes's order for an assessment of 100 per cent on the stock of the defunct National Bank of Illinois came like a thunderbolt upon the holders of certificates. The assessment at this time will fall mostly upon those who were stock-holders, and although it was expected that an assessment would be made ultimately, few outside of the directors had any idea that it would reach the full limit.

#### \$1,000 Fine for Charging Drinks to Telephone Account.

Edward T. McDonald, an ex-Custom House fficer, who was convicted of having presented a false voucher for \$3.85, was fined \$1,000 by Judge Thomas in the United States Criminal Court yesterday, McDonald's offense consisted in charging up drinks and cigars to telephone account.

The fetishism of savage Africa makes us shudder, and fills us with disgust. Yet we have fetishes of our own, one of them great, widely worshipped, and in whose name crimes innumerable are daily perpetrated. The name of that fe-

tish is Ignorance. To that powerful fetish thousands of mothers annually make sacrifice of their daughters. For what is it but a sacrifice to the fetish Ignorance to permit girls to ssom to womanhood, and enter the marriage relation without one helpful hint of the physical perils?

obligations of that relation and its Just the word which the mother fails to speak would turn the young girls' atten-

tion to the danger of irregularity. For it is in the ignorance of the necessity for regularity in the periods that the foundation is laid for the debilitating drains, the female weakness, bearing-down pains, inflam-mation and ulceration that rob marriage

of joy and motherhood of happiness. That "God-send for women" as wom-en have named it, Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, establishes regularity of the periods, dries up all unhealthy drains, cures female disease, and inflammation and ulceration of the peculiarly femi-

women suffering from diseases peculiarly feminine, may consult Dr. R. V. Pierce, by letter at the Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, absolutely without charge or fee. Each letter is opened in strict privacy, read as sacredly confidential and to preserve the seal of confidence unbroken, all replies are sent in plain envelopes, bearing no single word of printed matter.

## PANIC AT A FACTORY FIRE.

GIRL JUMPED AND KNOCKED TWO FIREMEN FROM THEIR LADDER.

Ill Three Injured by Her Reckless Leap-Policeman Held Fifty of Her Compan-ions in a Blazing Workroom Till They Could Be Carried Down-Damage \$15,000

In the course of a fire in the four-story buildng at 308 and 368 West Broadway yesterday afternoon two firemen and a girl who worked in the building were injured. The firemen were Stephen Sullivan of Engine Company 13 and Foreman Langford of the same engine company. The girl was Tillie Brill, 28 years old, of 316 East Seventy-fifth street. The firms occupying the building employ about 100 girls altogether. On the ground floor is the Crossley & l'Hommedieu Heating Company ; the first floor is occupied by the Carbono Manufacturing Company and Boscowitz & Jacobsen, the second floor by S. S. Kohn, a dealer in embroidery, and the third floor by Hochstein &

Co. The fourth floor is unrecupied.

The fire was discovered in the workroom of the Carbono Manufacturing Company. Some old papers, which were on a shelf right over a lighted gas jet, became ignited, and before anything could be done to sheck the blaze the whole room was affame. The girls in the workrooms became paniestricken and ran around screaming. The fiames meanwhile spread to the second floor and threatened to

spread to the second floor and threatened to envelop the whole building.

Policeman King of the Macdougal street station, seeing flames coming from the windows, turned in an alarm and ran upstairs to the first floor. The place was in flames and annarently everybody had escaped. Hearing screams for help from the next floor he went up there and found about fifty girls struggling to set out of the window onto the lire escape. Mest of them had come down from the floor above. Twelve of the thirteen girls in Mr. Kohn's place had already been taken by him up to the roof and had reached the street through the adjoining building. The Brill girl, who is Mr. Kohn's niece, was too excited to go with the rest and ran out on the fire escape. She lost her head completely when the girls from the upper floor ran into the room and gathered on the fire escape at her side.

King arrived at this point. Seeing the girls estims out of the window he ran toward them shouting:

"Don't jump! The hook and jadder is here. on't jump! The hook and ladder is here.

shouting:
"Don't jump! The hook and ladder is here, and you're all right."

Some of the girls turned back. King grabbed all the others he could reach and forced them back into the room, which was then full of smoke and flame. He couldn't reach the Brill girl in time to prevent her jumping. She climbed over the rail of the fire escape and disappeared with a scream.

In the meantime Firemen Sullivan and Langford had hooked a scaling ladder to the first floor fire escape balcony and had started up. Sullivan going first. The Brill girl fell squarely en Sullivan's head; he fell on Langford and all three went down to the street together. The girl escaped with a broken arm. Sullivan's right hand was broken and his head and face badly cut. Langford sustained a number of bruises and was badly shaken up. The rest of the girls were brought safely down the stairs by Policeman King. King's eyebrows and front hair were burned, but he sustained no other injuries.

The damage to the building and to the stocks of the various tenants is about \$15,000. Most of it is covered by insurance.

### STATE COURT REVERSES ITSELF. Private Corporations in Kentucky Not Sub-

lect to Franchise Taxation. FRANKFORT, Ky., March 14.-The Court of Appeals to-day in an opinion by Judge Durelle reversed its former decision in the case of the Louisville Tobacco Warehouse Company against the Commonwealth, rendered last fall, in which it affirmed the judgment of the Franklin county Circuit Court, fining that company heavily for not reporting to the State
Auditor. The court holds that private corporations are not subject to franchise taxation and
do not have to report to the Auditor.

The decision is one of the most important
handed down recently and will be hailed with
delight by the distillers and others that within
the last six months have been indicted in the
State Fiscal Court here, and have confessed,
paying heavy fines. All money so paid can
be recovered by the companies fined. The
decision means the saving of many hundreds
of thousand of dollars to corporations. Perhaps
as many as a thousand private corporations
would have been forced out of business should
they have been compelled to have paid fines
and franchise taxes. company heavily for not reporting to the State

# TROLLEY WINS AT SEABRIGHT.

P. | Hall Packer Re-elected Mayor on th Local Issue by a Close Vote. SEABRIGHT, N. J., March 14 .- P. Hall Packer was reflected Mayor of Seabright to-day over Fire Chief George W. Elliott in one of the closest fights ever waged within the borough There were 244 votes east, Mr. Packer receiving 124 and Mr. Elliott 120. C. V. Shropshire and George B. Minton were elected Council-

and George B. Minton were elected Councilmen.

The fight at the polls was over the question of trolley or anti-trolley, the former winning.

Mr. Elliott was backed by the summer cottage owners and was confident of election. A trolley company wishes to build a line through to Long Branch. Elliott pledged himself not to yote for the admission of the trolley by any route. Mayor Packer was favorable to the trolley provided it came by a back way and the people wanted it.

### BROOKLYN POLICE TRANSFERS.

#### Capt. Corwin Goes from the Lee Avenue to the Bushwick Avenue Station.

The following police officers were transferred "for police reasons" by Chief Devery yester-day: Capt. J. A. Corwin from Lee avenue to Bushwick avenue: Sergt. Bernard Hughes from desk duty to temporary command at Lee ave-nue; Sergt. Stacom from temporary command at Bushwick avenue to desk duty at Lee ave-nue; Sergt. John W. Wormel from command at Sheepshead Bay to Humboldt avenue; Sergt. Bernard J. Gallagher trom command at Finsh-ing to command at Sheepshead Bay, and Sergt. James P. Tucker from Leonard street to com-mand at Finshing.

To Prevent Confusion at Judicial Sales. The Bar Association at its meeting last evening adopted a resolution asking the Commit-tee on Amendment of the Law to report on the tee on Amendment of the Law to report on the practicability and desirability of a change in the practice governing judicial sales of real property. These now take place at noon simultaneously, and the mover of the resolution thought all interests would be better served if the resulting confusion could be done away with. This he proposed to accomplish by preventing, if the committee recommended that as practicable, more than one sale taking place at the same time.

An Episcopal Mission for Flatbush. Deacon Charles F. Allen of Bayonne, N. J. has been appointed by Bishop Littlejohn of Brooklyn to take charge of the Episcopal mis-Brooklyn to take charge of the Episcopal mis-sion of the Church of the Nativity, which has just been organized in Flatbush. Temporary quarters have been secured in a vacant store at 1978 Nostrand avenue, and services will be held there on Sunday morning. The Sunday school will meet in the afternoon. A building site is to be secured in a central location, to the south of Newkirk avenue. The mission will start with nearly fifty members.

### Navy Yard Notes.

The supply ship Glacier was floated into dry

dock No. 2 at the navy yard in Brooklyn yesterday. She is to be overhauled and made terday. She is to be overhauled and made ready for sea. It is expected that she will sail in a few weeks with a large quantity of supplies for Admiral Dewey's fleet.

Commodore John W. Philip. commandant of the navy yard, appeared before the niedical board in the navn hospital yesterday and was examined for promotion under the provisions of the Navy Personnel bill, which makes him a Bear Admiral. Capt. George W. Sumner also appeared before the same board.

### Nervous Troubles

In women are largely due to "blood poverty." In such cases women should eat



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### OBITUARY.

Ludwig Bamberger, the German politician in Berlin yesterday. He was in his seventysixth year. He was one of the leaders of the insurrection of 1849 which was started to obtain a constitution for Rhenish Bavaria. He took refuge in Switzerland after it was over going afterward to England, Belgium and Holland. In 1853 he went to Paris and was engaged in the banking business there until 1867. After the amnesty decree which followed the Austro-Prussian war he returned to Mayence, his native town. He was elected to the Reichstag in 1871, becoming a National Liberal leader. Then he joined the Progressive party as one of the adversaries of Bismarck. Among the published works of Herr Bamberger are "The Honeymoon of the Liberty of the Press," "Results of the Uprising in the Palatinate." "Monsieur de Bismarck." "Natural History of the French War." "Workers and the Right of Reunion," "Germany and Socialism," and "Journalism and Judaism."

Chief Engineer Robert R. Leitch, U. S. N. regoing afterward to England, Belgium and Hol

chief Engineer Robert R. Leitch, U. S. N., retired, died yesterday morning at the Brocklyn
Hospital after an operation for appendicitis,
which was performed on Monday night. He
had been ill but four days. Mr. Leitch was 49
years old. He was born in Baltimore. He was
graduated from Annapolis in the class of '71
and stood at its head. He was appointed Second
Assistant Engineer in January, 1874. Assistant
Engineer in February, 1874; Passed Assistant in
January, 1879, and Chief Engineer in September, 1894. He was retired in 1894 on account
of ill health. At the beginning of the war he
re-entered active service and was assigned to
duty at the Pensacola Navy Yard, He leaves
a widow. The funeral services will be held at
his home, 51 South Oxford street, on Thursday
night. The interment will be in Baltimore.
William H. Schwalde of 302 Tompkins ave-

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William H. Schwalbe of 302 Tompkins avenue, Brooklyn, died on Monday morning at Dr. Barnes's sanitarium at Stamford Conn., where he had been under treatment for nervous prostration for two weeks. He was a member of the Thirteen Club of Manhattan. He was in the auction commission business in Park row and was the advertising manager for several college journals. He was a Mason, a member of the Royal Arcanum, Old Guard Association, of the Twelfth Regiment, and President of the Young People's Association of the Marcy Avenue Baptist Church. He was in the fifty-seventh year of his age. He leaves a wildow and a daughter. The funeral services will be held this evening at the chapel of the Stephen Merritt Burial Company, of which he was Treasurer, at 241 and 243 West Twentythird street.

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Mrs. Eleanor V. D. Smith died on Monday at
the home of her daughter, Mrs. Poter Bogert,
in Eighty-sixth street, Bath Beach. She was
born in 1825, and was the widow of the Rev.
Dr. Nicholas Everit Smith, who for many years
was pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church at
Harrison street and Tompkins place, Brooklyn. She was a cousin of ex-Gov. Newell of
New Jersey. At the time of the civil war
she was Vice-President of the organization
formed in Brooklyn to make up a relief fund.
She leaves four daughters, three of whom are
married. She is also survived by her brother,
Gen. John Hendricks of Manhattan. The
funcal services will be held this afternoon at
the New Utrecht Dutch Reformed Church at
Bath Beach.

Henry E. Smyser, a mechanical engineer,

Bath Beach.

Henry E. Smyser, a mechanical engineer, died on Saturday in York, Pa., where he was born 62 years ago, and where his interment took place yesterday. His wife died about a year ago, and since then he had been living with his son at the Hotel Margaret, in Brooklyn. It was only on March 4 that he went on a visit to his native town, and he then appeared to be in his accustomed good health. He was noted as the inventor of coffee-packing and augar-packing machines, used by the Arbuckles, by whom he had been permanently employed since the purchase of his patents by them about seven years ago. He is said to have received \$500,000 for his mechanical devices.

devices.

Emile Erckmann, the novelist, died yesterday in Berlin. He was in his seventy-seventh year, having been born in Pfalzburg, then in the department of Meurthe, Lorraine, in May, 1822. In 1842 he went to Paris to study law, and a few years later made the acquaintance of Alexandre Chatrian. They formed a literary partnership, and in 1848 issued a number of short stories. These were followed by several dramas, and later by novels which made their joint literary name, Erckmanu-Chatrian, well known.

Mrs. Jane A White widow of Luther C. White Mrs. Jane A. White, widow of Luther C. White,

ans. Jane A. White, widow of Luther C. White, a former well-known manufacturer of Waterbury, Conn., and mother of Mrs. Lynde Harrison of New Haven, died yesterday at Tampa, Fla., of pneumonis. Her home in Waterbury was destroyed by fire several weeks ago. She was ill of grip and was rescued in blankets and removed to the home of a neighbor. She contracted a cold and never recovered. tracted a cold and never recovered.

Judge John Berry, formerly City Judge of Atlanta, died in Newman, Ga., yesterday of heart disease. He was a prominent clubman of Atlanta and a leading member of the bar. He gained much celebrity by his connection with the Orth-Stein case, and several months ago caused a sensation by assaulting the editor of the Looking Glass in the dining room of the Kimball Hotel.

of the Kimball Hotel.

Mrs. Mary Lloyd Ford, widow of John Brice
Ford, who was long the publisher of the Christian Union, died on Sunday at her home. 8
Garden place. Brooklyn, in the eighty-first
year of her age. She was a native of Wales
and came to this country with her husband
about fifty years ago. She was a sister-in-law
of Sir John Paleston. She leaves three daughters.

ters.

Alonzo O. Cole, a well-known resident of the Twenty-second ward in Brooklyn, died on Sunday at his home, 208 Sixteenth street, in the seventy-first year of his age. He was the founder of the Memoriai Baptist Church, and a year ago was elected life superintendent of the Sunday school. He was a deacon and trustee of the church at the time of his death. He leaves a widow and three daughters.

Frederick A. Gans died suddenly yesterday afternoon of apoplexy, at his home, 202 West Forty-fourth street. He had been in bad health for many months. Mr. Gans was a member of the Union League and Union clubs. He was a bachelor and was 50 years old. William J. Slattery died on Monday evening at his room in the United States Hotel in Paterson. He was appointed a school principal in Paterson in 1881. Subsequently he was placed in charge of the Normal Training School. He was about 55 years oid.

was about 55 years old.

Mrs. Angela Haslach died yesterday in her eightieth year at her home. I33 Montrose avenue. Williamsburg. She was the widow of Thomas Haslach, one of the founders of the Church of the Most Holy Trinity, who died three weaks necessary. three weeks ago

The Hon. John Fisher Wood, Comptroller of Customs in the late Conservative Admin-istration of Sir Charles Tupper, was found dead in bed of heart failure at his hotel in Toronto yesterday.

### Business Troubles.

John H. Tangemann, produce commission merchant at 180 Wasnington street, has made an assignment to George W. Dunn without

Isaac Blankfein and Morris Deitz (Blankfein & Deltz), manufacturers of clothing at 4 and 6 & Deitzl, manufacturers of clothing at 4 and 8 West Fourth street, made an assignment yesterday to Abraham D. Levy without preference. Justice Beach of the Bupreme Court has appointed Robert D. Benedict receiver for the property of the Panama Star and Herald and La Estrella de Panama Company in a suit brought by Mr. Benedict, who recovered a judgment against the company in Brooklyu on the 2d inst, for \$7.524. He is a stockholder for ninety-five shares. The only asset of the company is a claim against the Government of Combine to the company is a claim against the Government of Combine for unlawful interference with the business at Panama.

Churches Invited to Combine on Wednes day Night Prayer Meetings.

At the last session of the Manhattan-Brook lyn Conference of Congregational churches the plan of holding one night in common among the churches of all denominations for th weekly prayer meeting, and that it should be Wednesday night, was strongly favored. In accordance with the instructions of the conference, the Secretary, the Rev. Hornce Porterassistant pastor of Plymouth Church, has notified all the ministers of the other denominations in Brooklyn of the action taken and requested their co-operation.

#### James F. McKinney Made Secretary of the Brooklyn League.

James F. McKinney, a lawyer, has been elected Secretary of the Brooklyn League as the successor of Edward B. Lent, who has been made a member of the Executive Committee The league was organized soon after consolidation to look after the interests of the borough of Brooklyn, and the indictment of Sewer Commissioner James Kane for alleged official irregularities has been its chief achievement so far. Mr. McKinney will devote all his time to the affairs of the league.

Bicyclist and Brougham in Collision. Michael Davay of 243 Avenue A rode down Fifth avenue on his bicycle yesterday withou mishap until he neared Thirty-fourth street Going north on the avenue there was the brougham of Mrs. Frequence there was the brougham of Mrs. Frequence H. Betts of 22 East Sixty-fifth street. As Pavay neared the carriage he lost control of his wheel, ran into the pole of the brougham and landed on his head, fracturing his law. He was removed to the New York Hospital.

# Manhattan's New Consulting Electrical Engineer.

L. B. Stillwell has been appointed consulting clearing a been appointed consulting electrical engineer of the Manhattan Railway Company. He is now and has been, say the inception of the project about six years ago, in full charge of the electrical plant of the Niagara Falls Power Company at Niagara Falls. N.Y.

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LAWYER M'CRONE APOLOGIZES.

He Had Reflected on the Veracity of President Edward M. Grout. When the case of John Devlin against his daughter, Mrs. Louisa Hinman, was called be-

fore Supreme Court Justice Maddox in Brooklyn yesterday, John J. McCrone, counsel for Mr. Devlin, said that his client could not appear, as he was ill.
"It is the same old story," said President of the Borough Edward M. Grout, who is counsel

for Mrs. Hinman. "I do not believe that Mr. Devlin is so ill that he cannot make a depo-Devlin is so ill that he cannot make a depositton."

"I know some people." said Mr. McCrone,
"who would not believe you."
"You must apologize for that language," said
Justice Maddox.
"But-but"— began Mr. McCrone,
"No buts' will be taken here," said Justice
Maddox; "an apology is the only statement that
will be acceptable."
Lawyer McCrone then apologized for his
language. Dr. Jose, hO'Connell was appointed
to visit Mr. Devlin and report on his condition.

### "AFTERNOON TEAS."

St. Louis, Mo., Ladies Serve the New Food Delicacy. At some select afternoon "teas" in St.

Louis, Mo., the ladies have been serving the new food delicacy, Grape-Nuts, and it has become very popular, owing to its novel and never to be forgotten flavor, as well as the fact that it is ready to serve without any preparation whatever, a most das and lunched. Made by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.-Adv.